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For : SIGNAL TRANSMISSION METHOD AND SIGNAL
TRANSMISSION APPARATUS
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Art Unit : 2613

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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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☒ The fee has been calculated as shown below.
☐ This is an application of a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9(f), and the amounts shown in parentheses apply.

| (1) | (2) Claims remaining after amendment | (3) | (4) Highest number previously paid for | (5) Present extra | (6) Rate | (7) Additional Fee |
|---|--|-------|--|----------------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| Total claims | 28 | Minus | ** =28 | * 0 x | \$50 (25) | = \$ 0 |
| Independent claims | 6 | Minus | *** =6 | * 0 x | \$200 (100) | = \$ 0 |
| Total additional fee for this amendment | | | | | | \$ 0 |

* If the entry in Column 2 is less than the entry in Column 4, write "0" in Column 5.

** If the highest number of total claims previously paid for is less than 20, write "20" in this space.

*** If the highest number of independent claims previously paid for is less than 3, write "3" in this space.

- ☐ This application contains a multiple dependent claim. The required fee of \$360(180) has been previously paid ☐, or is paid herewith ☐.
- ☒ This response is being filed within the second month following the expiration of the term originally set therefor. This is a petition to request a two month extension of time. A check covering the cost of the petition is enclosed.
- ☒ A check in the amount of \$450.00 is attached, which covers the cost of ☐ additional claims ☒ petition for extension of time.
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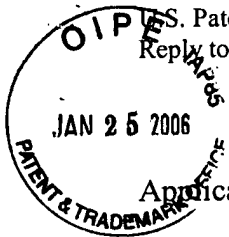
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**AMENDMENT SUBMITTED WITH
REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION AND
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

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Sir:

Applicants hereby petition for a two-month extension of time from the Final

Office Action mailed on September 23, 2005, having an extended period for response set to

expire on February 23, 2006. Applicant submits herewith a Request for Continued Examination and a check in the amount of \$790.00 as payment of the RCE fee. Applicants also submit a check in the amount of \$450.00 as payment of the extension of time fee. Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 14 of this paper.